



BORIS THE SPIDER

**A Journal of Duplicitous Doings,
Raw Power, and Naked Greed**

*'Oh, what a tangled web we weave
When first we practice to deceive!'*
--Sir Walter Scott--



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DEADLINES SHIFTED!

I'm trying an experiment. By pushing forward the deadline 18 hrs, I figure I get about 8 more effective hours--about two night's worth--in work on the 'zine. The one player who snail mails (usually a day late) will need to mail a couple of days earlier than usual and the Saturday morning caller will need to either e-mail or call Thursday night. It shouldn't affect the rest of you greatly.

As expected, Jim ("Flip") Frying has won our second game of CIRCUS MAXIMUS. His wife Marcia won the first game. We replace the game with KREMLIN, House Rules for which are on p 13.

We have a quorum for COL DIP, but no room. I ask each of those signed up to confirm your interest by sending in a preference list of countries. If all are on e-mail, we may do it that way. Otherwise, it'll probably be six to eight months before there is an opening.

Ditto, MAHARAJAH. I've run three REPUBLIC OF ROME games pbem, and am inclined to do another.

STANDBY ALERT!

BALKAN WARS: Serbia

MAGIC REALM: Fern & Xyla

Interested parties should send in orders for each position they are interested in. If the present player again fails to submit orders on time, a random drawing will be held.

BORIS'S BULLETIN BOARD

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: "Nature has given (us) one tongue but two ears that we may hear from others twice as much as we speak." ---Epicurus.

Any other BPA members out there? WIZARD'S QUEST, TITAN: THE ARENA, and MONSTERS RAVAGE AMERICA all need GMs!

BOOS & KUDOS

This month's Madame Bolduc Press Excellence Award (# free issue) goes unawarded due to "general snottiness".

This month's Ms Nar Super-Suds Bomb is lobbed at Peter Bayum for his "arrogant snottiness" in "Boris XIII".

PERSONAL COMMUNICATION HERE (maybe):

Deadline for most games is 1800 CST 5 Mar 99



ITALY OUT!!
Wormtongue Stabs!
Can the Other Four Stop Him?
Fall 1985

XII
1985

MINAS MORGUL: The Italian Admiralty sent orders that the fleets should be scuttled rather than have them fall into French or Austrian hands. While the fleets as a whole are no more, this writer would not be surprised if a few haven't decided to switch flags. Wormtongue, for one, would welcome all the floating stock he can find. While the West is still embroiled, Wormtongue has offered his Germanic cousin, Herr Fisher, some respite by biting off 20% of Germany's main enemy's units. Yet, the time has come for all to decide whether their petty quarrels are more important than having Emperor Wormtongue in charge of Europe.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Austrian F NAP retreats to TYN.

AUSTRIA (Frying): A Apu-Nap, F Tyn-Ion, A Con H, A Tri-Ser, A Rom S A Apu-Nap, [A Ven S A Rom], F Aeg-Gre, A Gal-Rum, A Rum-Sev.

ENGLAND (Shacklett): F Edi S F Lon-Nth, F Hol S F Lon-Nth, F Wal-Lpl, F Lon-Nth;

FRANCE (Boylum): F Tun S F Mid-Wea, [A Pie-Ven], A Mar-Bur, A Bel H, A Bur-Ruh, F Mid-Wea;

GERMANY (R. Fisher): [A Kie-Ber], A Mun S A Kie-Ber, F Hel S ENG F Lon-Nth;

ITALY (McCabe): F Ion-Aeg, [F Nap Htr-otb];

RUSSIA (Fowble): F Ark-Con, F Eas-Smy, A Syr-Arm, [A Sli-Ber], A Pru S A Sli-Ber, [A Den-Kie], F Ska-Swe, [F Nth-Hellr-??], A War-Ukr, F Nwy-Nth;

Orders in brackets fail; nso = not so ordered; nsp = no such place; otb = off the board.

Russian F NTH must retreat otb or to ENG, NRG, SKA, or YOR.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

AUS: Bud Tst Vie Gee Ser Bul Nap Con Ven +Rom +Rum +Sev

(12) Build 3

ENG: Edi Lon Lpl Hol

(4) Even

FRA: Bre Mar Par Por Spa Bel +Tun

(7) Build 1

GER: Ber Kie Mun

(3) Even

ITA: -Rom -Tun

(0) Tear all, OUT

RUS: Mos -Sev StP War -Rum Swe Nwy Anik Den Smy

(8) Tear 2 *

* If Russian F NTH retreats otb, then TEAR 1.

Due next time are orders for the retreat, builds/tears, and Spring 1906 and Press. Ms Nur creates Press! Thanks, Phil, for hanging on until the bitter end.

EMBASSY BEAT

France - World: Crush Austria! Where's that hot poker when you need it?

France - Russia: Halt! Go back. Return. Retreat.

France - Austria: Bite me!

Ger to Fra: Hey Froggy, come on and try the wines of the Valleys of the Ruhr. And bring your rifles, we're hunting BEAR later.

Ger to Eng: Hey Limeys, come on out and play--the water's fine and I want to show you some neat places I found in Denmark.

Ger to Ital: Hey not much I can do there, sorry.

Ger to Tur: Bye-Bye.

Ger to Rus: Hey you big bully, you better stay out of Berlin or I'll do something desperate--I'll--I'll soil my armor.

Ger to Aus: Hey PAL, I thought we were buds. Now I got this 800 pound Gorilla breathing down my neck and your playing Thanksgiving in the Orient. Hello! A little help here or you're gonna be smelling BEAR-breath from a direction you won't like.



CONFUSION REIGNS!! England, Russia Rebuffed!

Spring 1982

XIII
1982

KLENDATHU: The French mass to storm Fortress Albion but das Reich could just as easily be the target especially with the Russian spearhead driving towards MUN, or is it a pincer on VIE? An unlikely Austro-Turkish alliance seems to be in the making as they mass on the Tsar's exposed southern flank and Italy steams blithely eastward.

TROOP MOVEMENTS:

AUSTRIA (Holliday): IF Gre-Bull, A Ser S A Bud-Rum, IA Tri-Ven-L, A Bud-Rum.

ENGLAND (Trent): IF Nth-Hell, F Nwy-Ska, (A Bel-Hkr-??), IF Lon-Nth, A Edi-Yor;

FRANCE (Gardner): F Pur-Mtd, A Bur S GER A Hol-Bel, A Spa-Mar, F Bee-Eng, A Par-Pte;

GERMANY (Boyum): (F Den-Nth), A Hol-Bel, A Mun H, (F Kie-Hell), (A Ber-Kie);

ITALY (Anderson): (A Ven S AUS A Trikotni), A Tun H, F Ion-Aeg, F Nap-Ion;

RUSSIA (Ja Kanne): (A Rum S A War-Galfr-??), A Gal-Boh, F Bot-Swe, F Bla S A Rum, A War-Gal

TURKEY (Frying): (A Bul-Rum), F Aeg-Con, A Ank-Arm, F Con-Ank.

Orders in brackets fall otb = off the board, r-??? = unit retreats to ???.

English A BEL must retreat otb or to RUH. Russian A RUM must retreat otb or to SEV or UKR.

Due next time are orders for the retreats and for Fall 1902 and **Press**. Ms Nur craves **Press**!

EMBASSY BEAT

England-France: Some in the community have mislabeled my A Edi as an 'expeditionary' one. It is merely meant as a tool of domestic security.

England-Germany: Gerbil droppings? C'mon, that's just mean...

England-Russia: I hope the F Nwy-Ska can be proof enough of my goodwill.

England-World: I will not lie down and allow aggressive elements to trounce me!! ... Unless the Kings win the the Finals. Then I will be departing for the Underworld of Hades to open a sno-park. Satan says he'll be my sleighdrver! Some people can actually taste my bitterness.

France - England: I've been hearing nasty things about your intentions, plus it looks like you're trying to get armies onto the continent, which I don't like. So I've decided to bury the hatchet with our sauerkraut-eating friend and start looking your way. This isn't a declaration of war; if you want to work something out, contact me.

Germany - England: You seem still to have your head firmly planted up your backside. The three-way split of your home centers is still in effect and still eminently fair under the circumstances.

Germany - France: I have no message for you at this time. If I did, it would appear here.

Germany - Russia: You're on your own, clown. I offered help and you unwisely turned it down. I wish you the best and suggest a hasty retreat.

Germany - Turkey: I feel I should say something to you but I won't.



BALKAN WARS VI

Serbs Snooze!

Fall 1912

1998J

pb08

CLIFFHOME: It seems the Philosophers so confused the Serbian Barbarians that they didn't know what to do -- or perhaps it was the drugs in the wine. In either case, the lack of Serbian retreat saved SAL and brought SRO under Greek "protection". None save Athens will be pleased by the two-center swing that this lapse wrought.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Greek A MAC retreats to SRO. Serbian A TIR to NMR so retreats otb.

ALBANIA (McCabe): F Tri H(r-???) A MtJ-Nis. A Tir S A MtJ-Nis.

BULGARIA (Anderson): A Mac-Sal. F Thr S A Mac-Sal. [F Var-Dub], [A Sof S SER A Sko](nsu);

GREECE (R. Fisher): F Cyc C A Rho-Ath. A Sko S F Aeg-Sal. F Apu-Tri. [F Aeg-Sal]. F NAS S F Apu-Tri. A Rho-Ath;

RUMANIA (K. Wilson): A Cona-Dub. F NBS S A Cona-Dub. A Buc S ALB A MtJ-Nis. A Bel S ALB A MtJ-Nis. A Tra-Ciu;

SERBIA (Gardner): NMR! A Mon Hju. A Val Hju. A Nis Hju. r-???

TURKEY (B. Wilson): F Cone S F Mam-Aeg. [A Smy-Cone]. F EMS-Rho. F Mam-Aeg.

Orders in brackets fail: amb = ambiguous order, d = unit destroyed due to lack of valid retreat; imp = impossible; nrt = no retreat received; nsd = unit not so ordered; nsp = no such place; nsu = no such unit; otb = off the board; otm = unit on the move; uul = unit unordered.

Albanian F TRI must retreat otb or to CRO. Greek F AEG must retreat otb or to SMY. Serbian A NIS must retreat otb or to OLT.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

ALB: -Val Bos -Tri +Nis +Tir

(3) Even *

BUL: Plo Sof Var Thr

(4) Even

GRE: Ath Sal Spa Cre Mel -Rho +Sko +Smy(?!) +Tri

(7/8) Build 2

RUM: Buc Cona Gal Bel Dub +Ciu

(6) Build 1

SER: -Nis -Sko Mon -Tir +Val

(2) Tear 1 **

TUR: Izm -Smy(?) Cyp Cone +Rho

(5/4) Build 1/Even ***

* If Albanian F TRI retreats otb, then Build 1.

** If Serbian A NIS retreats otb, then Even.

*** If Greek F AEG retreats to SMY, Turkey is Even. Otherwise, Build 1.

Due next time are orders for the retreats, the builds/tears, and for Spring 1913.

PRESS:

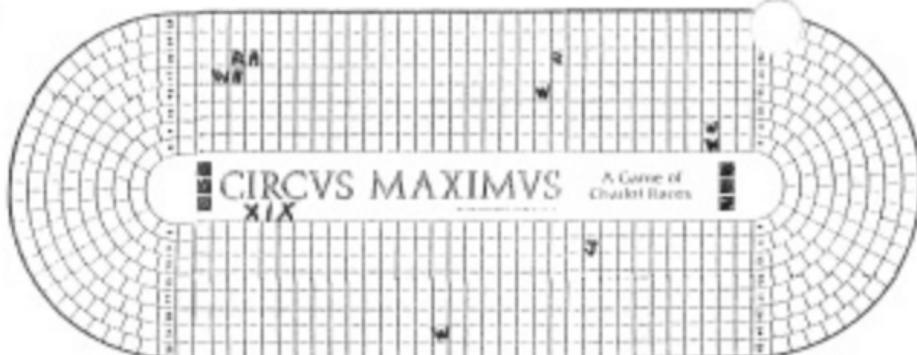
Gre to Tur: Sorry about Rhodes, thought you were going to tank early and wanted a quick build, you can have it back...ah...oh yes: Kill Bulgars!

Gre to Ser: Ah, sorry but I'm in a bit of a bind here.

Gre to Alb: Ah, sorry but you seem to be ripe for the picking, nothing personal.

Turkey to Greece: En route.

Turkey to Boris: Geez, "lout of Tirana?" GM abuse live!!!!



FLIPPUS WINS!

ODDS	COLOR	DRIVER (CDM/DN)	CART	Whip	Wheels	TEAM	END	Speed	D/E
4-1	Red	Raisdre Al-Ghul (+1/8)	L	y	4/0	551	-4	5	3/2
6-1		Josephist (+2/8)						4	2/2
12-1	White	Flippus Maximus (+1/8)	M	y	0/0	4443	5	16	3/2
247-1	Yellow	Won Hung Lo (+2/8)	H	y	0/0	2325	5	14	2/1
	Black (e)					-	2434	32	3/2
	Brown (r)					-	6433	30	3/2

Team XIX:

BROWN Team: 16. Ahead 16 and off.

FLIPPUS MAXIMUS: 16 and whip 15: -5 END = 0; -1 to DMD = 20. Ahead 20 wins!

BLACK Team: 13. Ahead 13.

JOSEPHIS: 4 ton foot: Ahead 4.

WON HUNG LO: 1. Ahead 1.

RAISDRE AL-GHUL: Permanently lose 1 MP to 4. Ahead 4.

Frylingius collects 60,000 s. Coronus collects 12,000 s.

Due next time are any end of race statements.

Press:

Josephis, continuing his impression of Jesse Owens, streaks for the turn.

Flippus spits in Raisdre's general direction.

KREMLIN

We Begin

THE CAST:

R. Fisher (The Republican Electorate for Kriminally Idealistic Entropy Socialists: TREKIES)

Anderson (Bipartisan Organization for Responsible Government: BORG)

Scott (The California Connection: TCC)

Buttina (The Party Knows Best: TPKB)

K. Wilson (October Revolution Reformer Party: ORRP)

Holiday (The Underthebedova: TU)

POLITBURO:

1 = Aparatskik (A, +)	2 = Kurskenko (N)	3 = Nogoodnik (V)	4 = Eastatumuch (M)
5 = Nikotin (R)	6 = Shootemdedsky (H)	7 = Wasolin (Z)	8 = Badenuff (X)

CANDIDATES: CDIGLS

PEOPLE: BEFOIJOPQSTUWY

Your Cards:

Due next time: Your initial IP allocation and any IP you care to declare. See page 13 for details.



EDUCATION: London has 7 cards.

THE CAST (in tie-break order)

LONDON (Farrow): 882, 7K, 150M, 15C, ON-1
 BARCELONA (Fruehl): 8206, 4K, 125M, 13C, SV-10
 GENOA (Hannah): 852, 8K, 200M, 7C
 VENICE (J Bargender): 6129, 4K, 150M, 13C, Gal-2
 PARIS (McCabe): 898, 3K, 350M, 15C, SV-10

ADV: A,B,E,F,I,J,N,O,R-T,V-X
 ADV: A,B,E,F,I-L,N,O,S,R,V
 ADV: A,B,E,F,I,N,O,R,V
 ADV: A,B,E,F,I,N,O,R,V,W
 ADV: A-E-H,N,O,S

There is a surplus of Silk and a shortage of Timber.

TURN 7.7: TOKEN PURCHASE PHASE

Genoa buys 12t. Barcelona buys 14t. Paris buys 18t. Venice buys 21t. London buys 31t.

TURN 8.3: CARD PLAY PHASE

Genoa plays "Charlemagne".

Barcelona plays "Prince Henry" (810 protection) and "Papal Decree" to ban Religion Advances in Turn 8.

Paris plays "Oldenburg" (no protection) and "Metal" (P +896, L +86).

Venice plays "da Vinci" (no protection) and "Pirata" @ TRE, CON, & ALEX, all reduced to 1T.

London plays "Long Bow", "Columbus" (+30 rebate, 820 protection), "Copernicus" (840 rebate, 810 protection), "Civil War" on Barcelona (BAR reduced to 1T, B must lose 896 or 7t), and "Cloth" (P,G&V +820, B +83).

DUE NEXT: Turn 8.4 (Purchase), and Turn 8.5 (Expansion).

STATUS

GENOA (Hannah): 860, 5K, 200M, 7C, 12t	ADV: A,B,E,F,I,N,O,R,V
PARIS (McCabe): 8196, 1K, 350M, 15C, 18t, SV-10	ADV: A-E-H,N,O,S
VENICE (J Bargender): 9128, 2K, 150M, 13C, 21t, Gal-2	ADV: A,B,E,F,I,N,O,R,V,W
LONDON (Farrow): 857, 2K, 150M, 12C, 31t, ON-1	ADV: A,B,E,F,I,J,N,O,R-T,V-X
BARCELONA (Fruehl): 81977, 2K, 125M, 12C, 14t?, SV-10	ADV: A,B,E,F,I-L,N,O,S,R,V

MAP

B: C @ Alg, Ang, Cre, Fez, Ize, Lis, Sk, Tol, Tun, Val. WAL Wat: 1T @ Ath, Bares, BAR, Lib, Ors, PsL.
 G: C @ Dj, Flo, GEN, Mar, Mil, Nap, Rom, JT @ Bart, StG.
 L: C @ Acr, Alep, Ber, Cat, Chi, Cyp, Edt, LON, Por, Smy, Sue, Yor: 1T @ Alex, Arm, Con, Corn, Jer, Lev, Tre, Wal.
 P: C @ Basl, Basq, Bor, Bru, Che, Col, Gra, Lyo, Mon, Nur, PAR, Sev, STM, Str, Tri: 1T @ Tou.
 V: C @ Bel, Bud, Dub, Erz, Kle, Pot, Pra, Salo, Ser, Tan, Var, VEN, Vie: 1T @ Bre, Corf, Dur, Ess, Gal, Kaf, Salz.

Your cards (Karten) are:

LEGEND: B = BAR, C = colored circle, G = GEN, Gal = galley, K = cards, L = LON, M = misery level, ON = ocean nav, P = PAR, SV = seaworthy vessel, T = colored token, t = white token, V = VEN.

Correction: Hamburg has a C in Cyprus, so earned 96 more. Hamburg purchased a card for \$10 in Turn 8, has \$289 for start.

Player Holdings (in Capital Choice order):

VENICE (Burgunder) \$131, 5K, 80M, 13C, SV-10	ADV: A-C,E,F,H-K,N,O,R,S,V-X
BARCELONA (Hanna) \$96, 5K, 80M, 13C, OC-1	ADV: A,F,I,N,R-V
PARIS (McCabe) \$135, 1K, 100M, 8C, OC-1	ADV: A,B,E,F,I-L,N,O,R-T
HAMBURG (Copeland) \$289, 5K, 90M, 18C, OC-2	ADV: A-C,E,F,H-L,N,O,R-X
LONDON (Bolduc) \$146, 4K, 100M, 15C, OC-3	ADV: A,E,F,H,I,N,O,R-V

2 Shortages of Metal for Turn 8.

Token Allocation: PAR - 4t, VEN - 24t, LON - 26t, BAR - 31t & HAM - 33t

Card Play:

PAR - passes on shortage removal purchase of Metal, no card play also

VEN - Play 2-"Grass" cards: +88 to BAR, +832 to HAM and LON, +872 VEN

LON - no card play

BAR - no card play

HAM - Plays "Black Death" on Area III - reduce St. Malo, Paris, Bruges, Dijon, Basel, Strassburg, Cologne, Nuremberg, Prague, Vienna and Budapest. Remove tokens in Amsterdam, Esseg, St. Galt, Salzburg & Breslau. Play "Pirates/Vikings" attack on South America, India & China - reduction. Play "Famine" - Misery increase: HAM 0, VEN +1, BAR +3, LON +3 & PAR +3 levels. Play "Mysticism Abounds" - Misery increase: HAM +1, VEN +1, PAR +2, BAR +3 & LON +3.

Note, expansion tokens adjustment required for turn 8.

Mapboard: C = City or Domination Marker, t = Token

VEN: C @ Belgrade, Dubrovnik, Florence, Milan, Rousse, Sicily & Venice; 1t @ Athena, Bari, Basel, Budapest, Cagliari, Corfu, Dijon, Durazzo, Nuremberg, Prague & Vienna.

BAR: C @ Algiers, Angora, Barcelona, Basque, Constantinople, Crete, Fez, Lisbon, Poti, Seville, Toledo, Tuna & West Africa; 1t @ Leon, Oran, Palma & Toulouse

PAR: C @ Bordeaux, Montpellier, Sarat & Trebtaond; 1t @ Bruges, Paris, St. Malo & Strassburg

HAM: C @ Acre, Aleppo, Cyprus, Danzig, East Indies, Erzerum, Granada, Hamburg, Kiev, Lubeck, North America, Novgorod, Riga, Salontika, Stockholm, Suez, Tuna & Valencia; 1t @ Cologne, Copenhagen, Stettin & Smolenak

LON: C @ Alexandria, Bergen, Cairo, Chester, Edinburg, Ireland, London, Portsmouth, Tripoli, Varua, Waterford & York; 1t @ China, Cornwall, Gallipoli, India, Jerusalem, Kaffa, Kantakia, Koenigsberg, Levant, Libya, Shetlands, South America & Wales

GEN: C @ Genoa, Lyons, Marseilles, Naples & Smyrna

Press: PAR to all - it appears that there are a lot of clerics out there. Can't any of them find jobs in their own countries?

GM to PAR - Missionaries duties are never done ... until all souls are saved. HAM is working his plan on winning hearts and minds of Europe.

Player Holdings (in Capital Choice order):

VENICE (Burgunder) \$179, 5K, 100M, 13C, 24t, SV-10	ADV: A-C,E,F,H-K,N,O,R,S,V-X
BARCELONA (Hanna) \$73, 5K, 200M, 13C, 31t, OC-1	ADV: A,F,I,N,R-V
PARIS (McCabe) \$131, 1K, 250M, 8C, 4t, OC-1	ADV: A,B,E,F,I-L,N,O,R-T
HAMBURG (Copeland) \$288, 1K, 100M, 18C, 32t, OC-2	ADV: A-C,E,F,H-L,N,O,R-X
LONDON (Bolduc) \$152, 4K, 300M, 15C, 23t, OC-3	ADV: A,E,F,H,L,N,O,R-V

Orders due next are for Purchases and Expansion phases. Conditional orders and/or general intentions are highly encouraged.

WINE IS FINE

SR 5

NYC and B&M Float!



ERRATA: During operating rounds 4.1 & 4.3 NYNH&H had a run of 25 in #4.1 and a run of 10 in #4.2. NYNH&H holders get +3 & +1 or net of 2 for each share. NYNH&H Stock value is B142.

Corrected Individual Assets at start of Stock Round

	Cash	Certificates
D. Farrow	65	2PRR prez; 6 Erie (prez)
P. Zieske	262	6NYNH&H prez; B&O; PRR <Priority>
J. Butitta	294	6B&O prez; NYNH&H; 2PRR
J. Ringhoffer	70	4C&O; PRR
R. Fisher	239	3B&O; 2NYNH&H; 2PRR
C. Hanna	501	5C&O prez; NYN

CORPORATION STATUS AT START OF STOCK ROUND

PREZ	Value	PAR	Pool	IO	CASH	TRAINS	TOKENS	Location	Treas.
NYNH&H	PZ	B142	-	0	0	20	34	0	G19n, P22
B&O	JB	D110	-	0	0	402	3	1	H15, J14
Erie	DF	B90	90	0	4	570	4	2	E11s
C&O	CH	C82	82	0	1	185	4	2	P8, H10
PRR	DF	J30br	67	0	2	240	333	2	H12, H10

STOCK ROUND #5 TRANSACTIONS

zieske - sells NYNH&H (142); B&O (110); PRR (30). Buys NYC|prez| @ 90; treasury = 262 + 142 + 110 + 30 - 180 = 544-180 = 364; NYNH&H, B&O, and PRR drop -> C125, D100, H20 resp.
 butitta - sells NYNH&H (125); B&O (100); 2PRR (40). Buys B&M|prez| @ 90; treasury = 294 + 125 + 100 + 40 - 180 = 379; NYNH&H, B&O, and PRR drop -> D110, E100, H20 respectively
 ringhoffer - sells 2C&O @ 82 + 164 -> Buys CP|prez| @ 90; treasury = 70 + 164 - 180 = 54 ; C & O drops -> E71
 fisher - buys 3PRR at 20 (60); treasury = 239 - 60 = 179; has 5 shares of PRR and takes over presidency of PRR
 hanna - buys C&O at 71; treasury = 501 - 71 = 430
 farrow - sells 2PRR @ 20(40) and buys B&O(100); treasury = 65+40-100 = 5
 zieske - Buys NYC @ 90; treasury = 364-90 = 274
 butitta - Buys B&M @ 90; treasury = 379 - 90 = 289
 ringhoffer-passes
 fisher - Buys 2 PRR @ 20 (40); treasury = 179-40 = 139
 hanna - Buys NYNH&H @ 110; treasury = 430 - 110 = 320
 zieske - Buys NYC @ 90; treasury = 274 - 90 = 184
 butitta - Buys B&M @ 90; treasury = 289 - 90 = 199
 ringhoffer-passes
 fisher - Buys NYNH&H (110); treasury = 139 - 110 = 19
 hanna - Buys B & O @ 100; treasury = 320 - 100 = 220
 farrow - passes
 zieske - Buys NYC @ 90; treasury = 184-90 = 94
 butitta - Buys B&M @ 90; treasury = 199 - 90 = 109
 ringhoffer & fisher - pass
 hanna - Buys NYC @ 90; treasury = 220 - 90 = 130; NYC floats
 farrow - passes
 zieske - Buys NYC @ 90; treasury = 94-90 = 4
 butitta - Buys B&M @ 90; treasury = 109 - 90 = 19
 ringhoffer & fisher - pass
 hanna - Buys B&M @ 90; treasury = 130 - 90 = 40;
 all - P A S S. Farrow has priority

Individual Assets at End of Stock Round

	Cash	Certificates
D. Farrow	5	6Erie (pres); B&O <Priority>
P. Zieske	4	5NYNH&H(pres); 6NYC(pres)
J. Butitta	19	5B&O(pres); 6B&M(pres)
J. Ringhofer	54	2C&O; PRR; 2CP(pres)
R. Fisher	19	3B&O; 3NYNH&H; 7PRR(pres)
C. Hanna	40	6CS(pres); 2NYNH&H; B&O; NYC; B&M

CORPORATION STATUS AT END OF STOCK ROUND

	Pres	Value	PAR	Pool	IO CASH	TRAINs	TOKENs	Location	Treas.
NYNH&H	PZ	C125	-	Ø	Ø 20	34	0	G19a, F22	CS&L
B&O	JB	D110	-	Ø	Ø 402	3	1	115, J14	D&H
Erie	DF	B90a	90	Ø	4 570	4	2	E11s	
NYC	PZ	B90b	90	Ø	3 900	---			
B&M	JB	B90c	90	Ø	3 900	---			
C&O	CH	E71	82	1	1 185	4	2	F6, H10	C&A
PRR	RF	K20br	67	Ø	2 240	333	2	H12, H10	SV, M&H
CP	JR	B90	90	Ø	8 not listed				

TRAINS Available - 4 555 666 DDDDD USING OPTIONAL 6

TILES AVAILABLE (Special: Tiles #8 & #9 are unlimited)

Yellow: #110, #210, #411, #713, #57163; all others available

Green: #1421415101 #25101 #553101 #554101 - #552101; all others grayscale

Request OR #5.1: We expect 5's to be purchased and thus a phase change. Since we are only doing one OR we will not stop for phase change. PLAN ACCORDINGLY. DEADLINE - 26 Feb 99 to Zolfo Springs address or by e-mail: wu96@wcl.com. I access e-mail USUALLY EVERY OTHER DAY.



SILVERTON

FIRST DEPLETION!

Turn 1b2a

ERRATA: Zieske has \$5200 & Wordelmann has \$5000. Farrow surveyed the other \$600/4 route west from Denver.

Wordelmann buys #37 (-\$200). Zieske declines #47.

PLAYER STATUS

- #1. Farrow: \$5400, S+1, P
- #2. Zieske: \$5200, S, P+1
- #3. Chinnery: \$5300, S+1, P, #20
- #4. M. Fisher: \$5200, S, P+1, #43
- #5. Holliday: \$5300, S+1, P
- #6. Wordelmann: \$4800, S, P+1, #37

AVAILABLE CLAIMS:

- #6 Georgetown (Au, \$400/\$150)
- #22 Telluride (Ag, \$800/\$200)
- #47 Sunnyside (C, \$500/\$100)
- PAX A1-A6
- #9 Silverton (Au, \$800/\$250)
- #34 Dolores (L, \$700/\$200)
- #54 Bowie (C, \$400/\$200)
- The Deck

TURN 1B2A ACTION

- #1 (Farrow): Survey west to Fairplay (-\$1500). Prospect #6 (-\$400).
- #2 (Zieske): Survey Colo Springs-Pueblo (-\$300). Prospect #A2 (-\$525).
- #3 (Chinnery): Operate #20 (-\$200: 1+6 = 7 = DL). Survey Pueblo-Canon City (-\$500). Prospect Deck (#28).
- #4 (M Fisher): Survey SE from Provo (-\$200). Prospect #A5 (-\$250).
- #5 (Holliday): Survey Heber City east (-\$1300). Prospect Deck (#35).
- #6 (Wordelmann): Operate #37 (-\$100: 5+6 = 11 = 2L). Survey N from Taos (-\$1300). Prospect Deck (#26).

DISPUTES: None

THE MARKETS:

Au: 2+(0x4)	= +1	->	5000	Denver Ag: 8+(0x2)-0	= -1	->	2000
SLC Ag: 2+(0x2)	= +2	->	2000	Denver L: 9+0-0	= -2	->	300
SLC L: 7+0-0	= -1	->	500	Pueblo L: 5+0-0	= +1	->	600
SF L: 10+0-0	= -2	->	200	Denver C: 8+(0/2)-0	= nc	->	300
SLC C: 6+(0/2)-0	= nc	->	300	Pueblo C: 9+(0/2)-0	= -1	->	150
SF C: 9+(0/2)-0	= -1	->	200				

PLAYER STATUS

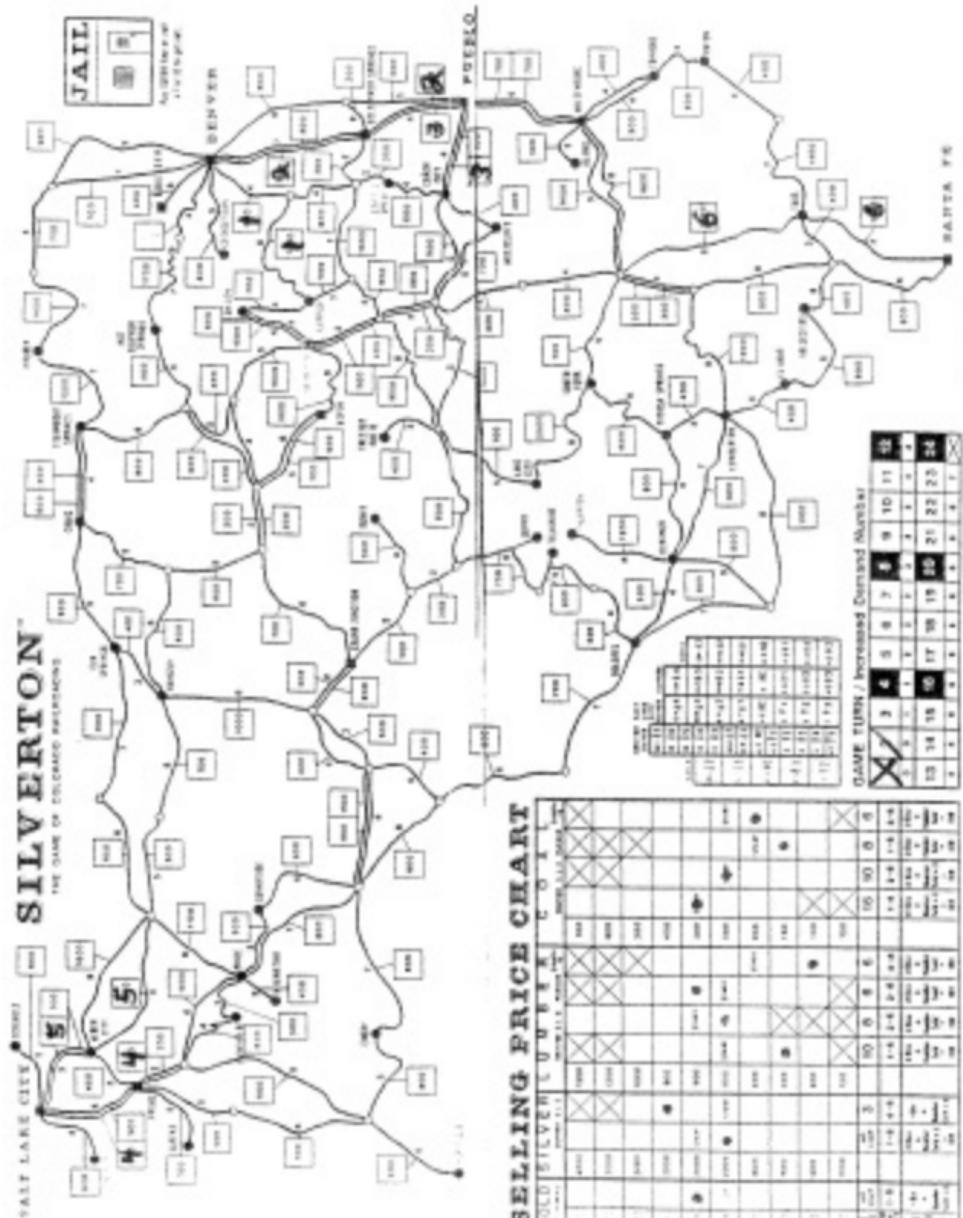
- #1. Farrow: \$3500, S+1, P, #6
- #2. Zieske: \$4375, S, P+1, A2
- #3. Chinnery: \$4600, S+1, P, #287
- #4. M. Fisher: \$4750, S, P+1, #43, A5
- #5. Holliday: \$4000, S+1, P, #35?
- #6. Wordelmann: \$3400, S, P+1, #37(2L), #26?

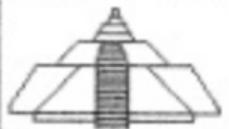
AVAILABLE CLAIMS:

- #9 Silverton (Au, \$800/\$250)
- #26(?) Silverton (Ag, \$500/\$250)
- #34 Dolores (L, \$700/\$200)
- #22 Telluride (Ag, \$800/\$200)
- #28(?) Lake City (Ag, \$500, \$200)
- #35(?) Dolores (L, \$300, \$200)

DEPLETIONS: #20

Due next time are your buy decisions for the cards prospected from the Deck, your operate decisions for your claims, and your surveying and prospecting drivethers for Turn 3.





ADVANCED CIVILIZATION

Bazaar Caim!!
Calamities Abate!
Turns 19.9b-19.18



ERRATA: Crete lost 4T to Famine (Rhine, Cisalpina, Germany, & Pannontia) so thus had 4T more to expand with so was able to build C @ Sparta using 3T & 3T. Illyria didn't need to attack in Rhine, Pannontia, and Germany, so things changed there too. There was no battle at Kanesh. So recheck the corrected "Board".

TURN XX

19.9: TRADE:

No one bought gold.

Crete trades Grain, Wine & _____ to Africa for Oil, Cloth, _____ & _____.

Crete trades Cloth, Papyrus & _____ to Assyria for Oil, Timber & _____.

Crete trades Ochre, Timber & _____ to Thrace for Oil, Resin & _____.

Assyria trades 2 Hides & _____ to Egypt for Papyrus, Silver & _____.

Assyria trades 2 Papyrus & _____ to Egypt for 2 Hides, _____ & _____.

Assyria trades 2 Cloth & _____ to Thrace for 2 Ochre, _____, _____ & _____.

19.10: CALAMITY RESOLUTION

TREACHERY: Iberia reduces New Carthage.

BARBARIAN HORDES: Cannot affect Crete.

CIVIL DISORDER: Babylon reduces Mari & Charsax.

Due next time are: Turn 19.11 (CIV Card Purchased to 20.9a) (Trade: Buy Gold).

THE BOARD

AFRICA (McCabe): C @ Cirta, Cyrene, Corduba, Palermo, Tarentum, Tripoli; 1S @ Ebusus, Tarentum, W Mauritania; 3T @ Thapsus, 2T @ Cyrenaica, Numidia, Siwa, Subrata, W Mauritania; 1T @ E Mauritania, Ebusus, Jada, Libya, New Africa, Sahara, Syracuse, Tripolitania, Tunisia. **POTTERY, MYSTICISM, ENLIGHTENMENT, CLOTHMAKING, AGRICULTURE, MUSIC, DRAMA & POETRY, ASTRONOMY, METALWORKING, DEISM.**

ASSYRIA (Scott): C @ Antioch, Goedium, Media, Nineveh; 1S @ Cyprus; 2T @ Armenia, Assyria, Cyprus, Sinope, Varr; 1T @ Cappadocia, Caucasus, Kuban, L Armenia, Mikop, Nalchik, Phrygia. **MYSTICISM, ASTRONOMY, CLOTHMAKING, DRAMA & POETRY, ENLIGHTENMENT, LITERACY, COINAGE, MUSIC.**

BABYLON (Anderson): C @ Aleppo, Arabia, Babylon, Jericho, Parthia, Susa; 1S @ Susa; 4T @ Babylonia; 3T @ Charax, Mesopotamia, Phoenicia, Sumeria, Tyre; 2T @ Carrhae, Mari. **COINAGE, MYSTICISM, POTTERY, ENGINEERING, DRAMA & POETRY, MINING, ARCHITECTURE, MUSIC, ENLIGHTENMENT, MEDICINE, LITERACY, LAW, ASTRONOMY.**

CRETE (Webb): C @ AppoBocia, Argos, Eritrea, Sparta; 1S @ Eritrea, Illyricum; 2T @ Coetnhs, Delphi, Illyricum, Knossus, Rhodes, Thessaly; 1T @ Athens, Chalcis, Epirus, Ithaca. **METALWORKING, MYSTICISM, POTTERY, CLOTHMAKING.**

EGYPT (Ringhoffer): 1C @ Buhen; 2T @ Alexandria, Caralis, Corsica, E Desert, Gaza, Memphis, Sardes, Sinai, W Desert. **MYSTICISM, METALWORKING, ASTRONOMY, AGRICULTURE, ENGINEERING, POTTERY.**

IBERIA (Farrow): C @ Massilia, Rome, Sardina; 2S @ Rome; 1S @ Narbo; 2T @ Etruria, Galatia, Kanesh, Narbo, New Carthage. 1T @ Aquitania, Baetica, Balearica, Hispania, Iberus, Lusitania, Terraconensis. **CLOTHMAKING, POTTERY, MYSTICISM, MUSIC, METALWORKING.**

ILLYRIA (Jo Kanne): 1C @ Neapolis; 1S @ Lugdunensis; 5T @ Germany; 4T @ Pannontia; 3T @ L

Germany, Rubicon; 2T @ Aquitania, Belgica, Campania, Londinium; 1T @ Britannia, Cisalpina, Gaul, Lugdunensis, Rhaetia, Rhine, Samnium, U Germany. DRAMA & POETRY, POTTERY, CLOTHMAKING, MUSIC, MYSTICISM.

PIRATES (Nur): C @ Carthage, Phoenicia, Salsetes; 3T @ Thebes.

THRACE (Zleake): C @ Scythia, Thessalonica, Troy, Tyrr; 3T @ Ionia; 2T @ Byzantium, Crimea, Dacia, Danubia, Thrace; 1T @ Lemnos, Lesbos, Moesia, Sudeben. DRAMA & POETRY, METALWORKING, MYSTICISM, POTTERY, CLOTHMAKING, MUSIC, LITERACY, ASTRONOMY, DEISM, ENGINEERING.

YOUR CARDS (item 8: Use them or Lose them!)

HOUSE RULES FOR KREMLIN

1. The Advanced Rules as supplied in the Avalon Hill version of the game will be used except as modified in these rules.
2. The first set of orders mailed in by each player will be the distribution of the 55 allocated IP (these IPs need not be declared yet, merely allocated) and any initial IP declaration.
3. Each game turn is generally divided into two (2) mailings. The first mailing consists of the Cure, Purge, Investigation, and Health phases. The second mailing consists of the Replacement, Rehabilitation and Parade phases. The GM may separate the turn due to unusual intrigue card events.
4. At the end of the 3rd, 6th, and 9th turns a separate mailing turn will be issued for the option of publicly announcing increased IPs or acquiring additional intrigue cards. Conditional orders are recommended.
5. If *any* of your controlled characters is theoretically eligible to purge, Investigate, try, nominate, etc. you should send provisional orders as if he/she will. Likewise, send "Guilty"/"Innocent" votes each turn for all Politburo members under investigation in case they come to trial.
6. Bribes and Deals: The GM requires a copy of all bribes and deals made between the parties involved in order to be able to enforce the three intrigue card limitations. The GM encourages the players to strike deals where you can.
7. Assigned IPs can be declared at any Point in the turn and can be conditional on any events that occur prior to the declaration of the IPs in the same mailing. If, at any time, two or more players have the same number of declared IP on a character, the breaker points may be used. If this fails to resolve the tie, the GM decides who has control based on when the IP were declared. If the deadlock continues, the GM will flip a coin. Orders such as "declare as many IP on Badenuff to control him in the Purge Phase" will be followed if possible. Any order ambiguities will be handled by the GM as consistently as possible.
8. If a player does not send in orders for the first or second mailing of a turn his characters make no voluntary actions. If he must make nominations, the oldest eligible character is nominated and all votes are "yes" or "guilty". If a player does not send in orders for the "Increase Influence" Interphase:
 - a) He shall draw Intrigue cards to fill his hand.
 - b) He shall place any remaining IP on the highest ranking politician possible.
9. Players with European sets take note that some character names have been changed and that the AH rules are not the same as the original Swiss rules.



MAGIC REALM

CRISIS OPENED!
AGAIN, SERPENTS & DEMONS!



THE CAST:

Dave Anderson: Buster the Berserker
John Buttis: Rosalinda Irontoes the Amazon
Don Chinnery: Wanderer the Pilgrim
Pitt Crandlemire: Fern Crystallight the optional Woods Girl (inactive)
Dan Farrow: Sir Guler the White Knight
TJ Klausutis: Old Bat the Witch with DC her Familiar (deceased)
Phil McCabe: Connor the Dwarf (deceased)
Connor Jr the Dwarf
Debbie Osbourne: Xyla the optional Woods Girl (inactive)

EVENING, 12

No actions.

CONSCER ROLL = 2

DAY 13

CONSCER ROLL = 2

Sir Guler @ HP2: M L4, M L1, M L3, R|MAGIC 16*: Reveal Ruins M, Cairns 5.
Buster & R5-7 @ M6: H6.1 = n1, M Mt4, M Mt4, HR|R7: 1.1 = Opportunity: 5.4 = x41. Reveal
Smoke M, Shrine 4.
Rosalinda Irontoes @ BV4: S|Loot: 4.2 = nothing, S|Loot: 4.2 = nothing!, S|Loot: 5.5 = nothing,
S|Loot: 6.1 = nothing!.
Connor Jr @ DW1: M OW4, M OW2. Reveal Ruins W.
Wanderer @ Mt4: Shoves "T" cobbler to open Crypt, Loot Crypt: 4.2 = treasure), S|Loot: 4.4 =
nothing), S|Loot: 5.3 = +1GI, S|Loot: 6.3 = Curse: 6.3 = Diagnose!. Buster discovers the Crypt.
Lancers @ BV4: S|Loot: 4.4 = nothing!, S|Loot: 4.2 = nothing!, S|Loot: 6.2 = nothing!, S|Loot: 4.1 =
nothing).

COMBAT: Buster and the boys could attack Wanderer or vice versa. Spells may be cast.

Due next time, Combat and Spells for Day 13 and orders for Day 14. Remember, Ralph and the
boys quit on Day 14 and some monsters may reset.

BOARD NOTES: The Inn is at BV4. The Patrol & Chapel are at EV5. The ghosts are at DV5. The House is at CV4. The Guard are at AV5. The Lost Castle is at DW1. The Hoard, the T F
Dragon, a T dragon and both H F dragons are at DW6. The Lair and Xyla & Fern w/ the Flowers of
Rest (GOLD) are at DW3. The Shrine and the Crypt of the Knight are at Mt4. Three horses are at the
Inn. The Cairns are at L5. The Pool is at HP6.

DEAD PICE: 3 bats, 3 H spiders, 2 giants, T F demon, 4 Soldiers, Rogues HQ & 1-4.

STELLAR CONQUEST

JTK: Due next are orders for combat for Turn 42 and for Movement for Turns 43-44. Remember,
this is a variable ending game, so Turn 44 has a 50% chance of being the last turn.

Willie: Awaiting Turn 6 combat and any changes to Turns 7-8 movement.

Tommy: Awaiting resolution of GM error on Turn 18. Expect Turn 22 combat soon.



AGAMEMNON
EPOCH II Ends
EPOCH III Expires Assigned



EPOCH II:

Azure: David Anderson	Black: Rudy Zodda	Green: Dan Farrow
Orange: Phil McCabe	Purple: Chris Trent	Red: Paul Zieske

Options in Play: Preservation of Culture (colored monuments), Fortresses, US Navy (may place fleet in Atl or Pac, not both), Persistence of Culture (extra event cards)

EPOCH III:

AI: EAn, MTdC; AII: ShatC;...		
III: Hin, Tur, UNic, fl; III: Che, GPC, Tar(BM), Yelcl		
GI: SiK; GI: Lin(OMI), PSD, Uln(GM), Zag		
OII: Cey, EGh, WDe, WGr		
PI: Cret(C,B), Pin; PI: Alb, Dul, Mort2,C,F,PM, Law		
RI: Arn, Lib(?), NHIC,RM, Nub, Sib(b(?), Welt(BM); RI: Cau, Dni, CEu, NGs; RVI: Lev(C), UT		
WI: LTh2,C,B		
Fleets: EMS(R), WMS(P)		

Score (SP/VPI): OI4/93, GI10/201, BI11/309, RI12/311, AI12/6+, PI3/21)

EPOCH IV (Continued):

<ARTHAQNIANS (A): Play "N. American Migrants" (AVIII: 1A @ Dee, 1A @ Win. Play "Pirates": 1F @ Car. Play 1A,C,AM @ Sha,IRI r-Sib, F @ WMS 16,6,4 -PP); 1A @ Lib 16,6,4 -RI); 2A @ Sib (5,2,5; 5,4,4; 4,1,6; 6,1,6; 5,2,4 -2RI -IAII); 1A @ NII (5,1,3 -1RL, -C, +c1 1A @ Pnl, 1A @ Lev (5,2,2 -1RV), -RPIEMS) -C, +c). Score: 6 + C(2X2) + c(2) + S(2) + MI(1X2+1) + Mid EID=6) + N AfrID=4) + S Eur(P=2) = 29.

<PERSIANS (O): Play "Elite Troops": 1A,C,OM @ PPI, 1A @ Hin (5,4,4,2 -1BI), 1A & Surprise Attack @ Uln (1-1GII, -C, +c); 1A @ Lin (5,4,4; 1 -1GII), 1A @ GaV, 1A @ GaD, 1A W EDe, 1A @ Zag (3,2,1,3 -Elite Troops: 1,1,1; 6,3,4 -1GII), 1A @ EAn (5,3,2 -1AI), 1A @ WAN, 1A @ Tur (5,5,5; 6,2,4 -1BI), 1F @ Bla, 1A @ Bel, 1A @ DAn, 1A @ MTI (5,3,2 -1AI, -C +c). Score: 9 + C(1X2) + c(2) + S(1) + MI(2X2+1) + Mid EID=4) + India (C=6) + S Eur (P=2) = 31.

EPOCH IV: Green passes to Black. Black passes to Orange. Red passes to Azure. Azure passes Green. Purple keeps. Orange has to pass to Red. Due up next: Orders for Celts (A), Macedonians, Mauryans, and Han.

EPOCH V:

AI: Lev(c), Lib, Ntlc,RM, Pnl, ShatC,AM, Slt; AVII: Dee, Win.		
II: UNic, fl; II: Che, GPC, Tar(BM), Yelcl.		
GI: SiK; GI: PSD.		
OII: Cey, EGh, WDe, WGr;		
PI: Bal, Dan, EAn, EDe, GaD, GaV, Hin, Lin(OMI), MTdC, PPIC,OMI, Tur, Uln(GM,c), WAN, Zag		
PI: Cret2,C,B, Pin; PI: Alb, Dul, Mort2,C,F,PM, Law.		
RI: Arn, Nub, Welt(BM); RI: Cau, Dni, CEu, NGs; RVI: UT		
WI: LTh2,C,B		
Fleets: Bla (O), Cret(A), WMS(A)		

Score (SP/VPI): GI10/201, BI11/309, RI12/311, AI12/291 P(13/21), O(19/31)

ERIC CRANT

#1: David Anderson (A) #2: Dan Furrer (E) #3: Don Chinnery (C) #4: Paul Zieske (Z)

ERRATA: F has 1 ore, C has 2, and Z has 3. Z has 3 sheep.

Turns 6, 1-7, 1:

A-4. C collects lumber at site. Z collects sheep at site. No trade. No action.

E: 10. A collects 1 grain from d3. E collects 2 grain from d6. No trade. No action.

C: B collects lumber from c2. G collects ore from c5. No trade. No action.

Z: 8. A collects lumber from e2. Z collects ore from e5. Play Knight to move Robber to d6 and steal grain from F. Trade 2 sheep to A for 2 grain. Upgrade d5/e4/e5 to City i-2 grain, 3 ore. Buy card [-1 grain, ore, sheep].

At 9: F collects 2 bricks from c5. F collects 1 sheep from c3. Trade 4 grain for 1 ore. No action.

STANDING TRADE OFFERS:

A will trade 1 grain for 1 Dutch-

Player	brick	grain	lumber	ore	sheep	VP	Knights	Cards	Road
Anderson	0	3	3	0	2	4	0	0	
Farrow	2	3	0	1	1	3	0	1	
Chinnery	0	0	1	2	1	2	1	1	
Zieske	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	1	

Due next time are orders for Turns 7.2-8.2.

Rolls for Turns 7.2-8.2:

Farrow: 8 Chinnery: 7 Zleske: 5 Anderson: 7 Farrow: 3

LEGEND

? generic 3:1 port

H/b: hill hex/brick special post

E/I forest box/number essential part

M/o: mountain hex/ore special part

P/n temperature

聚丙烯 polypropylene

YOUR CARD:



ON DECK

1830: Copeland, Watson, ???

ADV CIV: McCabe, Crandlemire(?), Anderson, Scott, (Webb); need 4+ more

AGE OF RENAISSANCE: Copeland, Watson, Frueh, (Webb)

AIR BARON: Copeland, Crandlemire(?), Buttita, Ringhofer, Wordelmann

BRITANNIA: Hanna, Boyum, Copeland, Zodda, Anderson

CIRCUS MAXIMUS: Copeland

Tourney Rules: Anderson, Crandlemire(?), R Fisher, need 5 more

CONQUISTADOR: Copeland, Crandlemire(?), York, Scott

DIPLOMACY:

Regular: Geraci(?), Gorham, Trent

Colonial: McCabe, Anderson, Boyum, Sandoval, B Wilson, Zodda, Copeland; need space

DOWN WITH THE KING: Copeland, Anderson

DUNE: K Wilson, Anderson, Crandlemire(?), R Fisher, Saunders(?); need 2-5 more

GUNSLINGER: Anderson, Crandlemire(?), Farrow, Scott; need 3 more

JUNTA: Copeland, Gardner, Anderson

KINGMAKER*: (Webb)

KREMLIN: R Fisher, K Wilson, Buttita, Crandlemire(?), Anderson, Holliday, Scott, Zodda

MACHIAVELLI: Scott

MAHARAJA: Crandlemire(?), K Wilson, Khaos, Hanna, Anderson

MERCHANT OF VENUS: Buttita, K Wilson, Wordelmann, Watson; need 2 more

MONSTERS RAVAGE AMERICA: Buttita, TJ & L Khaosutis(?)

REPUBLIC OF ROME: Centurias Populus, Copeland, (Webb)

RUSSIAN CIVIL WAR: Crandlemire(?), K Wilson(?), A Bargender, Copeland, Scott

TITAN: Crandlemire(?), Khaos, A & J Bargender, (Webb); need 1 or 2 more

OTHER POSSIBILITIES: 1829 (OR 5), 1856, 1870, AD 4000 (?), CIRCUS IMPERIUM, GLADIATOR, KAMAKURA, PLANET MINERS, SOURCE OF THE NILE (?)

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